



Sample Email for Legislative Contact: Tuition Equity

Dear Assemblyman / Assemblywoman _____,

I write to encourage you to support tuition equity for *all* New Jersey students.

Assembly Bill 3509 would provide for instate tuition for undocumented youth in New Jersey. The students for whom it makes a difference are New Jerseyans: they live here, they were educated in high school here, and overwhelmingly they intend to stay here and build careers and families. They are our neighbors and friends. This is a matter of fairness and inclusion.

I therefore encourage you to support A3509, and I further urge you to **support access to financial aid** in A3509 in tandem with S2479, which the Senate passed 11/18/13. Without the financial aid provision, many students would still not have the means to go to college, study and prepare themselves fully for a promising career. Access to financial aid treats them as full participants in the promise of higher education.

These young people are ours. They grew up here, and they belong to all of us. They are part of our schools, part of our communities, and part of our state. We need to recognize the simple fairness and justice of acknowledging them as New Jerseyans.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Your name and address